

Rec. center stands 'ready and available'

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Is there anything else to off-duty other than sleeping?

Yes, fun!

The Camp Walker Community Center provides various kinds of indoor fun to the off-duty personnel of Reception Staging and Onward-movement and Integration 2001. The Community Center is an MWR-operated establishment in building No. 452 located near the Camp Walker bowling center and the main gate. Soldiers can squeeze a little fun and relaxation into their hectic schedule during their stay in Camp Walker by making use of facilities provided by the Community Center. Soldiers can unwind themselves over a game of pool, table tennis or darts. They can also enjoy some cable, video or DVD movies on a huge wide-vision television in the lobby.

The first floor of the Center has a spacious lobby with comfortable sofas and wonderful interior decoration. They also have a soundproof music room equipped with many musical instruments such as electric guitar for anyone to play.

For some refreshment, try the snack corner in the lobby. They have soft drinks, candies and ice cream for sale. If you want to check out your personal E-mail, there is the Cyber Café beside the center entrance.

"Our center is the best place to hang out for soldiers," said Mr. Chang Sam Yong, the center's head recreation specialist. "Exercise personnel are always welcome to our establishment."

The center also offers a variety of recreational equipment, including bicycles, televisions, video cameras and even camping equipments for rent to all valid ID holders.

"We have all the staff necessary for any recreation activities. Our goal is to meet the soldiers' wants," said Mr. Yi Yong Kol, recreation specialist assistant.

For those interested in souvenirs, the center prints custom-made T-shirts, caps, mugs and plaques with any design desired.

On the second floor is the Camp Walker Library. The Library has over 20,000 books, nearly 200 magazines, major U.S. published newspapers of various types, videos, CDs, and DVDs for entertainment and educational purposes.

"It is our goal to provide you with the kind of service and types of material you want. Books, magazines or newspapers; video or audio; print or electronic; professional, educational or recreational," said Mr. Sin Tae Su, library technician.

One last tip, if you are stationed in Korea and have a library card with your home Camp, you can checkout books for a month. Books may be returned to any U.S. libraries throughout Korea.

Other than traditional book checkout, the Camp Walker Library also provides other services; such as Internet access, photocopy and Fax services.

Like many places on Camp Walker, the Center has extended their operating hours for RSO&I personnel.

For the duration of RSO&I 2001, the Center is open from 1200 to 2300 hours everyday until the end of this month.